

REMARKS

This amendment "C2" is being submitted with the understanding that the text of Amendment "C" as received in the PTO on 11 August, 2003 has not been entered in the case, and with the understanding that the drawings changes proposed in the 11 August, 2003 submission have been approved. Accordingly, no drawings papers are submitted here.

The examiner stated that the amendment received August 11, 2003, was not entered because Claim 8 no longer requires strengths of attachment, whereby the amendment raises a new issue.

This paper, as submitted, is the same as the Amendment "C" received in the PTO on August 11, 2003, except for a change in the Claim 8 amendment, and except that no drawings changes are proposed here, it being understood that the drawings changes already submitted have been received and approved.

In this paper, no claims have been canceled. No new claims have been added. Claims 6, 8, 9, 13, and 21 have been amended. None of the amendments provided herein are believed to narrow the claims and only serve to clarify the intended scope of the claims. Applicants submit that all amendments are supported by the application as originally filed and that no new matter has been added. Claims 1, 3-14, and 21 remain in the application. Reconsideration of the application is requested in light of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks.

Objections to the Drawings

Applicants understand that the objections to the drawings have been withdrawn on the basis of the paper received 11 August, 2003.

Objections to the Disclosure

The Examiner objected to the disclosure by asserting that "The Summary of the Invention Section, i.e. a description of the claimed invention, and the invention of the claims are not commensurate. . ." (Office Action dated 06/06/03, ¶7). The Summary

has been amended to make the Summary commensurate with the claims, whereby withdrawal of the objection is respectfully requested.

The Examiner also objected to the disclosure by asserting that "the amended paragraph on page 11, line 28, line 5 thereof, "side edges 23 and 25 "should be -- attachment sites 46-- to be consistent with the Figures and the remainder of the description. . . " (*Id.*). The Examiner further objected to the disclosure by asserting that "on page 12, line 15, "or caregiver" should be--, caregiver, or manufacturer-- to be consistent with page 12. . . " (*Id.*). The disclosure has been amended accordingly. Withdrawal of the objection is respectfully requested.

In addition, the Examiner asserted that "the description at page 9, the paragraphs at lines 14 and 19 are inconsistent" with Claim 8. (*Id.*). As amended, Claim 8 is consistent with the descriptions at the respective paragraphs of page 9. Withdrawal of the objection is respectfully requested.

Objections to the Claims

Claims 1, 3-5, 8-12 and 21 stand objected to because "[i]n claim 8, third to last line, after "weak", . . . --such-- [should be inserted]" (Office Action dated 06/06/03, ¶8). Amended Claim 8 obviates the objection in that the entire paragraph has been deleted. Withdrawal of the objection is respectfully requested.

Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. 112 Second Paragraph

Claims 1, 3-5, 8-12 and 21 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph as being indefinite "for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention." (Office Action dated 06/06/03, ¶9). Amended Claim 8 renders moot the basis of the rejection. Withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. 102(b)

Claims 1, 3-5, 8-12 and 21 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Romare. Applicants respectfully traverse the rejection.

Independent Claim 8 has been amended to recite the one or more of said at least one attachment sites on the corresponding outer portion, which are closest to the inner edge of the releasable fastener, being closer to the respective side edge of the front portion than to the inner edge of the releasable fastener. No reference of record, whether taken alone or in combination, teaches or suggests the recited combination.

Applicants submit that all claims as presented herein are allowable over all references of record. Allowance is respectfully solicited. No fee is believed to be due. Should any fee be properly due, or if any refund is due, kindly charge same, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account 23-2130.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions, comments or concerns, at the telephone number listed at the end of this document.

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